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In re Application of:
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For: Microgel And External Compositions Containing The Same

CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The benefit of the filing dates of the following prior foreign applications filed in Japan are hereby requested for the above identified application and the priority provided in 35 U.S.C. 365 is hereby claimed:

Japanese patent application No. 2000/2610 filed January 11, 2000

Japanese patent application No. 2000/2611 filed January 11, 2000

Japanese patent application No. 2000/94307 filed March 30, 2000

Japanese patent application No. 2000/94308 filed March 30, 2000

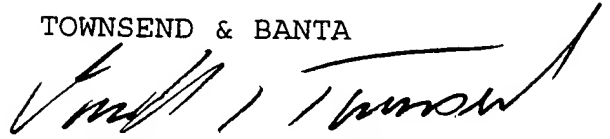
In support of this claim, certified copies of said original foreign applications were filed with the International Bureau on April 6, 2001 as evidenced by form PCT/IB/304, which is attached.

It is requested that the file of this application be marked to indicate that the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 365 have been fulfilled and that the Patent and Trademark Office kindly acknowledge receipt

of these documents.

Respectfully submitted,

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